

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Application No. : 10/697,027  
Confirmation No. : 1099  
Applicant : Kazuo Okada  
Filed : October 31, 2003  
Title : Gaming Machine  
TC/A.U. : 3716  
Examiner : Ryan Hsu  
Docket No. : 247079-000772USPT  
Customer No. : 70243

**AMENDMENT ACCOMPANYING RCE**  
**IN RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION**  
**DATED DECEMBER 7, 2010**

Mail Stop RCE – via EFS  
Commissioner for Patents  
Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

Dear Commissioner:

This is in response to the Final Office Action dated December 7, 2010. The shortened statutory period for response is three months from the mailing date, *i.e.*, by March 7, 2011. This response is being filed within that time period and thus, this response is timely. A Request for Continued Examination and the required fee is also being filed herewith.. Please enter the following amendments and remarks into the record for this application.

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**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 9 of this paper.